REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for clarifying rejoinder issues in the phone call on May 2, 2008 with Applicants' representative.

With entry of the instant amendment, claims 1 and 21 have been cancelled. Claims 2-16 were previously cancelled; claims 17-20 and 22 are therefore pending.

Cancellation of subject matter is without prejudice to subsequent revival for prosecution in a continuation or divisional filing.

The amendments to the claims add no new matter. Claims 18 and 22 have been amended to more explicitly recite the elements of the allowable product claim 17. Claim 20 has also been amended to recite that the preparation is formulated in buffer as a pharmaceutical preparation. Support can be found, e.g., at the last paragraph of page 13 bridging to page 14.

In view of the amendments, the currently pending withdrawn claims incorporate all of the limitations of allowable product claim 17. Applicants therefore respectfully request rejoinder of claims 18-20 and 22.

Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted

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